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Concordia University
Montreal, Quebec

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AGENDA

The Agenda is a FREE service to publicize Concordia-related events. Space priority is given to non-profit and student groups. Drop off your info at our office, room 649 in the Hall Building, or mail it in indicating AGENDA on the envelope. (Don't mail during the strike and be a scab, though.) Deadlines are 5 pm Friday for Tuesday issues, and 5pm Wednesday for Friday's issues.

Tuesday, Sept. 10

Open House at CUSA-Loyola as part of Orientation. Free food! Noon.

The Global cooperation Network of Q-PIRG needs you! Meeting today at 4pm, 2130 Mackay. Info: 848-7585.

International Craft Sale: today through the 13th, Loyola Quad. 9am-9pm. Proceeds go to the NDG Food Depot and Save the Children-Canada. Sponsored by the Global Cooperation Network (Q-PIRG).

Wednesday, Sept 11

Peril in the North: From the Grand Cree Council: Will Nicholls Speaks. 5:30pm, H110. Info: CUSA 848-7474. Sponsored by CUSA and Indigenous Peoples International.

Barbeque at SGW, as part of Orientation, 11am-4pm, SGW terrace in back of the Hall building.

Thursday, Sept. 12

Women's Centre Open House: 2-8pm, 2020 Mackay, downstairs. Stop by to get acquainted with the Women's Centre. Food, music, and lots to talk about!! All women welcome. Info: 848-7431.

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Orientation Wine Reception: Sparklers Club of Concordia! 4-6:30pm H762-1,2,3. Info: 933-2831 or 848-7422.

Friday, Sept. 13

Women's Studies Students' Association-first meeting 12:30-2:30pm. Simone de Beauvoir Institute, 2170 Bishop, upstairs lounge. Party to follow. Info: 848-7449.

Saturday, Sept. 14

Cultural Orientation for International Students: 10am-3pm at the Z-Annex, 2090 Mackay, first floor. Bring a lunch. Info: 848-3515.

GENERAL

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Services for Disabled Students- Concordia is strongly committed to providing services which support the integration of students who have disabilities into the university community. Programmes, facilities, and equipment are coordinated through the Services for Disabled Students (SDS). Information and assistance is readily available on each campus. Contact 848-3525/3511 (Voice/TDD) SGW, H-580, or848-3503/3536 (Voice/TDD) - LOY Ad-121.

Volunteers needed, preferably bilingual, to help others in need at the Face to Face listening and referral centre. Call 934-4546.

The Landscape: Eight Canadian Photographers: Exhibit at the Concordia Art Gallery with work by Robert Bourdeau, Edward Burtynsky, Lorraine Gilbert, Richard Holden, Thaddeus Holownia, David McMillian, Mark Rudwedel, and Gary Wilson will be featured. In the Hall building on the mezzanine level. For hours and Info: 848-4750.

International Students: 1991 Immigration-on-campus is offered to all returning International Students as well as their spouses and dependants seeking renewal of the Certificate of Acceptance and Student Authorization or Employment Authorization. The Immigration authorities will be on-campus Mon-Fri, the week of September 9-13, and on Monday and Tuesday, September 16 and 17, rm H-760, 8:30am-11:30am, and 1pm-4pm. No appointments are necessary. First come first serve basis.

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"Even my mother has heard of page 165"

Student handbook creates another safe sex controversy

by Link newstaff

Discussion about this year's CUSA student handbook always seems to end - or begin - with page 165.

Concordia's Code of Conduct Administrator, John Relton says he has received at least five inquiries into filing a complaint about the content of the page, a gay guide to safer sex, entitled Just Do It.

One student, who didn't want to be named, said he heard a group of students talking about tearing the page out and throwing it away or, in one case, burning it.

"Some people find the page pornographic," said Nick Kaminaris, VP Finance of the Commerce and Administration Students Association, who knows some of the individuals who talked to Relton. "They feel that it is not something that belongs in a student handbook."

But according to handbook coordinator Maureen Bradley, the piece, written for the handbook by a gay man, was included to "eroticize the concept of latex for gay men."

"The basis of article was good but they could find a better way of putting it," said Kaminaris. "There are only two references to safe sex."

But Bradley said the piece is about gay men educating themselves about AIDS and their needs are different.

"Gay men know what condoms are, they've been facing this crisis for ten years," she says. "With something realistic, graphic and honest there is a better chance of getting the message across."

Education Department Professor Jon Baggaley, who has been working on the U.S. national media campaign about AIDS said, "Public AIDS education has to be targeted very carefully at community groups, rather than the community as a whole, or it will flounder under the controversy it causes."

According to CUSA co-president, Charlene Nero, the page is part of the gay and lesbian section of the handbook and is meant "to provide information, in this case life-saving information to gays and lesbians and people interested in gay and lesbian lifestyle."

If it offends poeple, they don't have to read it," she added.

A section on Health Services in the handbook provides safer sex tips for heterosexuals.

Glen Holman is one of the coordinators of the Lesbian and Gay Friends of Concordia, Canada's oldest gay and lesbian university club. He said the explicit language in the piece is necessary.

"If you use clinical, technical terms, you de-eroticize safe sex and that is dangerous," he said. "We're here to save lives, not to accomodate people's prudishness."

Relton is meeting with three of the people who inquired about complaints. He will then decide whether complaints against the piece would fall under the Code and inform the students of the formal complaint process.

He read the piece for the first time this weekend.

"I had hoped it would be like the article the Muse published and could be defended in the name of education but unfortunately it is not."

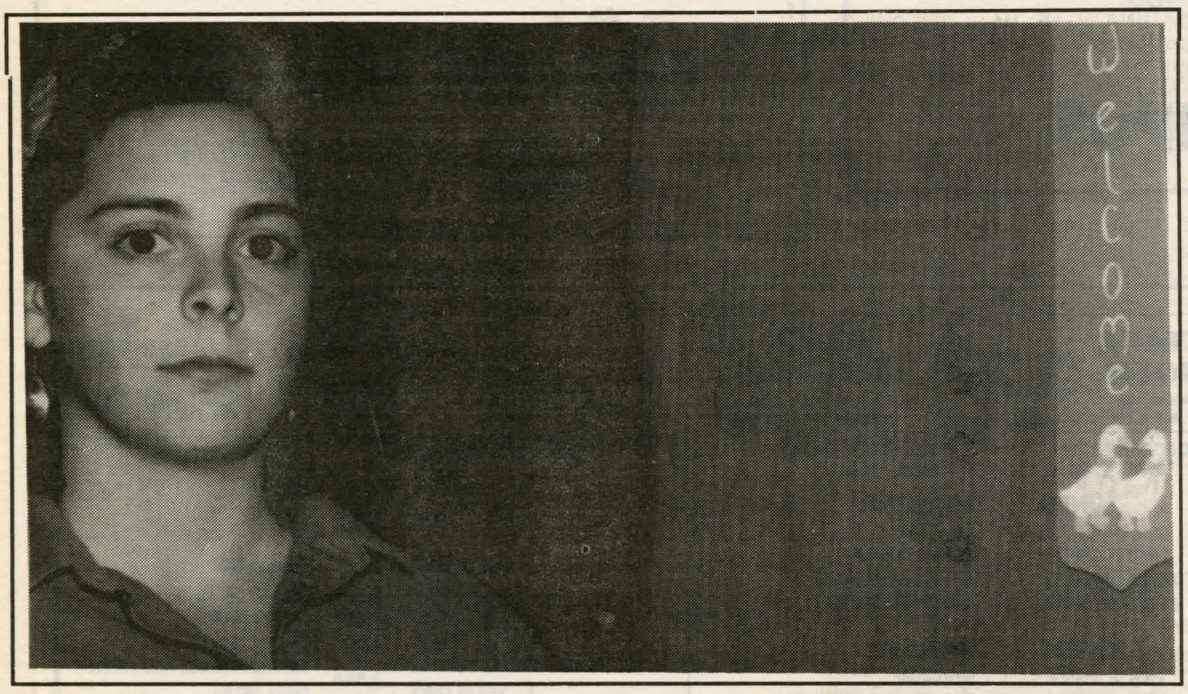
Last year the Memorial University newspaper, the Muse, published a graphic gay safe sex article which sparked national controversy.

He added that "men have the right to buy Penthouse or Playboy for graphic sex but at least they have a choice."

Nero had no knowledge of the inquiries to Relton and said she has received five complaints about other aspects of the handbook, but none about page 165.

In the introduction to the handbook, students are invited to comment on the handbook.

"I don't understand," Nero said. "We see years of arbitrary decisions by student government and people are too apathetic to come to meetings - but students get bent out of shape about a 250-word article about gay male safe sex."



Not everyone is welcome. Kathy Griffin at her home on West Broadway.

Rash of break-ins at Loyola

by Tyrone Newhook

Kathy Griffin was awakened at 4 a.m. last Thursday as an intruder fled over the balcony of her West Broadway apartment.

She said nothing was stolen but her jewellery box was searched, found empty and left on her bedroom floor - next to the bed where she was sleeping. She was alone in her duplex apartment.

She said the doors were locked and nothing was broken. "I don't know how he got in," Griffin said.

Griffin, a first-year anthropology student at Concordia University, said her experience was "nerve-wrecking" because "things never happen like this back home" in Dorion.

This is not the first time the duplex was broken into. Griffin's break-in was the sixth to occur since spring.

Louise Lalonde, co-owner of the duplex, said nothing like this has ever happened in the nine years she has lived there.

"There wasn't anything before, and then it just kept happening and happening," Lalonde said.

According to Constable Pierre Biard, crime prevention advisor at the MUC police, Griffin is not alone. He said there have been over 400 break and enters in the district 15 area since mid-July. That translates into an average of 50 break-ins a week, about double the previous average.

District 15 is responsible for Montreal West, NDG, Côte St.Luc, Hampstead and part of Snowdon. With affordable housing, NDG and surounding areas attract a high number of Concordia students.

Biard said District 15 lacks the personnel to handle the rise in crime. Only one or two arrests are made per week.

But he said that in many cases the same person is responsible for more than one break-in.

Biard said many of the break-ins are by drug-users who sell the VCRs, money, jewellery, computers and CDs usually stolen to pay for their daily fix.

He added that most of the break and entries occurred between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., while security was often poor and people are at school or work.

Loyola Campus was included in the break and enter statistics. This summer, four annex buildings on West Broadway were targeted by thieves, according to Concordia University public relations. They were broken into despite the university's 24-hour security staff.

However, despite the increase in break-ins in the area, Laurie Zack, assistant to the public relations director, said the number of break and enters at Loyola Campus decreased from last year.

thru the wire

McGill Daily

The McGill Daily had a bit of a rent increase this year. They now pay $14,500 a year for their office space — an increase of $14,499 from last year's rent.

"It's $14,500 that could have been used for something else," said editor Alex Roslin. "Our projected deficit for next year is now $14,400."

Roslin said *the Daily* was forced to negotiate the rental agreement with the Student Society "or get out."

He said the SSMU wanted them out because they objected to *the Daily's* regular criticism of the Society.

The Daily has been autonomous from SSMU since1980 when it also started paying the nominal $1 a year rental fee.

ON ETEINT!

The "Lights Out" Committee is calling on people to turn off all lights every Monday night from 8:50—9:00. The action is intended to send a message to Hydro Québec and Robert Bourassa to "protect James Bay and stop the destruction of the North."

For information on the protest call the committee at 345-5411.

NEW LOGO

You'll be happy to know that Concordia has a redesigned, "cleaner" logo according to the folks at Marketing and Communication. The university put out a handbook with extensive guidelines on how to treat it, but it seems the university isn't following its own rules. The following rule comes from page nine of the 14-page, 3-colour guide. The logo underneath is taken from a city-wide promotion campaign ad put out by the University.

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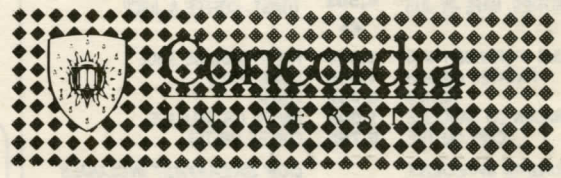

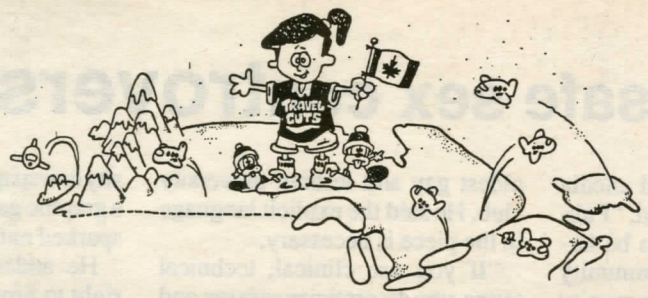

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Group says 'Non'

by Ita Kendall

Before the Liberal government in Quebec had even passed its referendum law, Nick Anastas was on the job fighting it.

Anastas, a Concordia University student, is the president of Groupe 92 Non. He and vice-president Chad Hawthorne, a McGill student, started the group to protest the government's plans for a referendum. In the event of a referendum on separation the group will fight for the "No" side.

The Quebec government has slated a referendum, under Bill 150, for June or October 1992. However, the law does not mean there will be a referendum.

Pending the outcome of negotiations between Quebec and the federal government, Premier Robert Bourassa could decide to hold a referendum on separation, renewed federalism or not hold a referendum at all.

Derek Addie, public relations spokesperson for Group 92 Non said just the idea of having a referendum causes so much political and social chaos. Addie said no one can make long term plans with the possibility of another referendum looming.

"It's been a ball which has been bounced so many times," said Addie. "People just want to get on with their live."

Anastas said he does not want a referendum at all but he is also a realist.

"Our group has two objectives. The first is to lobby against bill 150. And the second objective, if a referendum is inevitable, is to drum up support for the 'No' side," said Anastas.

L'Association Nationale des Étudiants et Étudiantes de Québec (ANEEQ) is aware of Anastas' group, said secretary of information Ken McMurray, but it had no position on the group or the issue. ANEEQ's position on Quebec's future depends on the outcome of a special congress on the future of Quebec they have planned for October.

"I'm not a crystal ball reader," said McMurray, commenting on the group's objectives. "But if they are trying to stop all the people in the province from having their say in a referendum, I'm not sure they are right."

However, McMurray said that was not ANEEQ's official position. In 1980, the last time there was a referendum in Quebec, the whole idea of government-sponsored referendum left people at ANEEQ skeptical.

Last spring, Anastas, a political science student, and Hawthorne visited several schools, including Concordia, McGill, Bishop's University, Université Laval and Université de Montreal, to collect signatures on their petition against bill 150.

Anastas said his group has about 1700 members, but the membership is comprised mostly, of the students who signed the petition Anastas and Hawthorne circulated at those schools. The group's office is a corner in Anastas' apartment and, so far, they have no funding.

Most of Group 92 Non's members are English-speaking students. Anastas and Hawthorne gathered the signatures at the universities with primarily anglophone students and met with mostly apathy at the French-language schools.

Anastas said they met with no hostility at the French-language schools, but some students felt people like to point the finger at francophones, saying they are responsible for Canadian disunity.

"The provincial Liberals want people to believe that the disharmony between French and English people is a natural phenomenon," said Anastas. "It is not. It is the product and orchestration of a government with an inability to produce favourable legislation."

Group 92 Non plans to hold a rally at Concordia on September 16 and Anastas is expecting at least 200 hundred participants.

Corrections

In the Link's Sept. 4 issue, an article on Concordia's Space Plan listed Jeremiah F. Hayes as a Professor of Matthematices. He is actually a Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

An article on the eviction of the Concordian named Lana Grimes CUSA VP External. Her title is VP Student Life.

Also, David Parent was said to have written a paper on homosexual culture for an sociology course. It was actually written for an education course.

Sorry but, hey, give us a break it was our first issue.

"Scruffy-looking people are automatically treated like shit"

Unnecessary violence at Faubourg

by Eugenia Xenos

Faubourg security guards roughed up a Concordia student when he demanded to know why his friend was being detained.

The incident took place Aug. 10 at the Faubourg Ste. Catherine, where students often go to eat. Kenneth Huck, 26, and two friends had eaten lunch and were shopping individually when Huck noticed one friend, Nick Vasil, flanked by four security guards.

Huck walked over to find out what was happening, and demanded to know if Vasil was under arrest and for what reason.

According to Huck, a stout, bearded, fair-haired guard refused to answer, and instead used his belly to push Huck. Huck was then told that Vasil had been stopped for allegedly shoplifting a bottle of juice, but the charge was dropped.

"Huck didn't commit any crime," said witness Jonathan Carrigan, a Plantation fruit store employee. "He just saw his friend in trouble and jumped in to help."

Twenty-year-old Carrigan described the security guards as being "extra rough" and using "excessive force" on Huck.

"At one point, the guards pushed, tripped him down and dragged him by the cuff of his shirt (with) Huck's head hitting against a wall, concrete pillar, and some mailboxes," said Carrigan.

Huck said he was also handcuffed roughly, kicked and struck in the face while he was handcuffed on the floor.

Huck added that he lost feeling in parts of his thumb after a tall, dark-haired guard with a buzz-cut named Dominic twisted Huck's wrist.

About twenty people witnessed the incident.

Nino Bruni, project manager for Reemark-Faubourg (the private company that owns the Faubourg) said he could not comment until he meets with Huck.

Huck said he will press charges against the company unless it agrees to have its guards trained properly. He said none identified themselves by name, position or as a security guard. Huck also said the guards never told him he was under arrest, or gave any reasons for detaining or handcuffing him.

Huck himself was a security guard for Canadian Security Agency for 18 months.

"I really don't want to sue them," said Huck. "But I want to see changes. I will agree not to sue them if Reemark undertakes to train all guards."

The company would not give the four guards' names, but one was stout, bearded and fair-haired; the second was a tall, dark-haired thin man with a buzz-cut; the third was a tall, young, blond man; and the man in red was short and slightly balding.

A search at Montreal's courthouse did not reveal other lawsuits against the company, but Carrigan said that guards often kick people out (especially if they're unkempt) even if they're not doing anything wrong.

"But little old women who don't look suspicious get away with stealing (fruit) all the time," said Carrigan, who's worked at Plantation for three years.

"Scruffy-looking people are automatically treated like shit (by the guards.) Security is just a bit too gung-ho."

Both Huck and Angelos Drosopoulos (the other friend) were charged by MUC police with assault. They face a preliminary hearing Nov. 8.

Students don't have to pay CUSACORP fee

by Shelley Wolcott

Concordia students voted last year to give CUSACORP 25 cents per credit on top of the $1.60 CUSA fee they already pay — but no one's collecting it.

The cancellation of the fee is due to controversy surrounding last semester's CUSACORP referendum: a referendum CUSA co-president Charlene Nero called "a lot of bunk."

It was held at the same time as the co-presidents' election to decide whether to add the 25 cent fee. The money would have raised an extra $80,000 for CUSACORP, allowing it to be financially autonomous from CUSA.

The legality of last semester's referendum is in question for two major reasons. The first is that all Concordia students were allowed to vote for a fee which would be paid only by Arts & Science and Fine Arts students.

Commerce and Administration and Engineering and Computer Science students pay a fee to their own student associations (CASA and ECA respectively), and none to CUSA.

Secondly, it is unclear whether it was legal for Shawn O'Hara, who worked as a programmer for CUSACORP last semester, to work on the campaign. He headed up the "Yes" campaign in the referendum. According to CUSA judicial board guidelines, it is illegal to pay anyone to campaign.

O'Hara could not be reached for comment.

Co-presidents Nero and Eleanor Brown will be appointing a judicial board of students to discuss the legitimacy of the campaign and to decide if the judicial board guideline applies to O'Hara.

CUSACORP, formed in 1984 by members of CUSA, was intended to be a student-run, profit-making organization. The corporation operates Mugshots Café, Reggie's Pub, The Dive, Used Bookstores, Games Rooms and the Loyola Campus Centre.

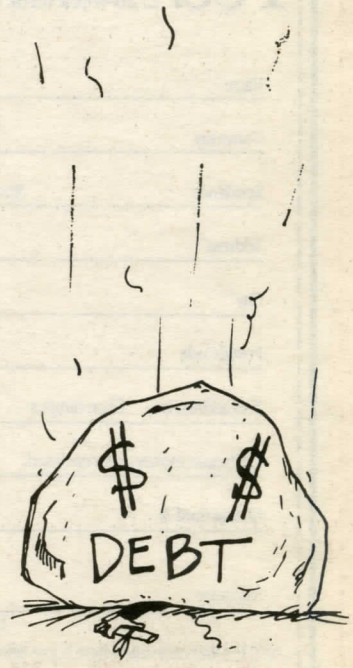
CUSACORP receives its annual budget from CUSA and uses it to operate and maintain these facilities. Renovations to Reggie's, Mugshots and the Dive in the Loyola Campus Centre are just a few of the plans CUSACORP president Darren Porter has in store for this year.

CUSACORP has been plagued by financial problems since its inception and has failed to turn a profit during its seven years in existence.

Last year, the corporation had a deficit of $50,000. Porter says that a $50,000 loss "isn't that much in a historical context since CUSACORP has lost a lot more in former years.

CUSA, which is funded by student money, has to pay for CUSACORP's overdrafts.

Nero sights many of CUSACORP'S problems as being managerial. She and Brown plan a complete restructuring of CUSACORP's management this year. With this restructuring, Nero said her "worst case scenario for this year is a loss of $8,000."



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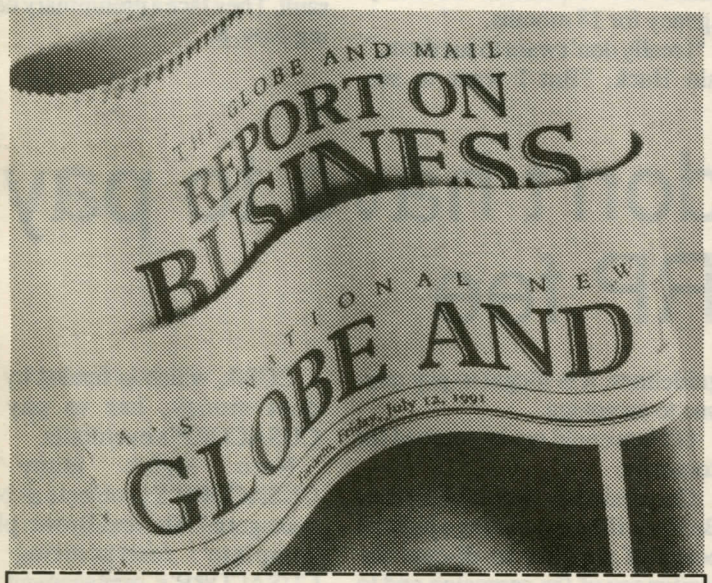

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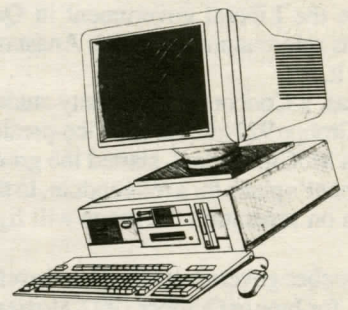

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"The Oka crisis opened a lot of people's eyes"

Native studies program in the works

by Colin Dennis

If Lana Lefort has her way, Concordia will have a Native Studies program by the fall of 1993.

LeFort, the first officer of the Assembly of First Nations of Concordia (AFNC), is a member of the Native Research Project, a committee set up to look into setting up the program.

But Beth Morey, coordinator of special projects for the Rector's office and NRP member, said while the project has the support of Administration it is too early to tell when the program will begin. "It is difficult to set deadlines (when) there are so many steps involved in implementing something like this.

LeFort wants to see a proposal from the NRP reach the university's Board of Governors by October or November 1991. She wants to see it approved by the Arts and Sciences faculty by Christmas 1992. and in place by 1993.

LeFort would like to see the establishment of a First Nations College somewhat like Lonergan College, drawing on the expertise of specific departments.

Morey said the Native Studies program may have to "start slowly. For instance, offering one course at a time."

The NRP is made up of representatives from the AFNC, the Centre for Mature Students, Students Services and Graduate Studies, is working to make it a reality. The mandate of the NRP is to determine the needs of native students in curricula and support services, and to determine what actions the university ought to take.

This summer, Lana LeFort and Daniel Paul Bork, also of the AFNC, carried out a needs assessment survey of native students. A final report should be ready to be submitted to the NRP by the end of September, LeFort says.

According to Bork, about 100 native students have studied full-time or part-time at Concordia over the past three years.

But LeFort thinks the figure is nearer to 300. She pointed out that except for those funded through Indian Affairs, Concordia does not keep statistics on native students, so Bork's figure excludes non-status and Métis students. She said the AFNC has more than 60 members.

Concordia would not be the first post-secondary institution in Quebec to offer a full-fledged Native Studies program. The CEGEP de Sept-Iles started an Amerindian Studies programme in 1983. Its aim is to educate native students for their return to the reserves and provide a program to prepare students for entry into the University of Quebec at Chicoutimi's (UQAC) Amerindianisation programme. The UQAC program offers certificate programmes in Sciences of Education, Indian linguistics, Social Work and a specialised B.A. in elementary teaching.

But according to LeFort, UQAC's program is francophone only and about 75 per cent of native peoples speak English. Only the Montagnais people speak French, she said.

LeFort said the Oka crisis opened a lot of people's eyes to what Native peoples have been going through and since Montreal is home to the most "radical" reserves, it deserves its own Native Studies program.

Carleton gays and lesbians get space

by Romeo St. Martin

OTTAWA (CUP)—They're here, they're queer and now they have a place to hang out.

Carleton University Students' Association voted 21 to 0 last month to provide space on campus for a gay, lesbian and bisexual centre.

"The time has come, the time has always been here, for a centre like this," said Ali Biggs, chair of the centre's steering committee.

Biggs said she had expected the council to support the motion for a centre, although a few councillors and executive members warned her that there would be some oppositin.

"There wasn't any room for objection," said Biggs. "The spirit of the meeting was not one where it would have been acceptable to object. That was my intention."

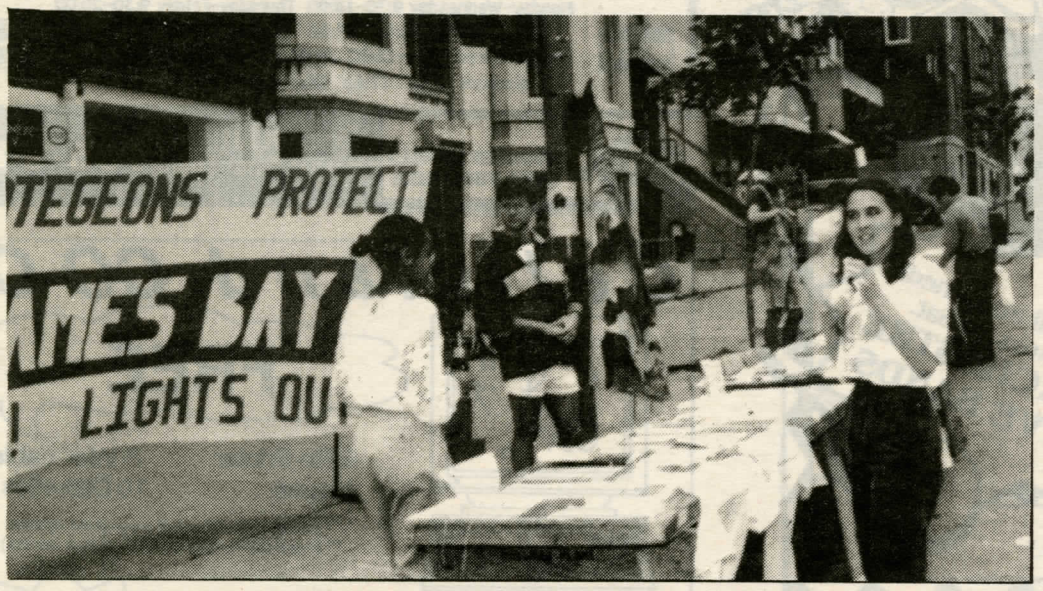
Biggs said she "stacked" the meeting with with a dozen bisexuals, lesbians and gay men, several of whom spoke about the need for a private meeting place.

The centre will educate the Carleton community on gay, lesbian and bisexual issues, lobby on their behalf and provide a safe place for them to meet, said Biggs.

Carleton alumnus Peter Thorne said the centre's existence would also help improve the university's reputation.

"I'm not proud of the fact that this university is seen as an environment where homosexuals can be taunted and hit," he said.

Biggs said the centre will now concentrate on raising money from its supporters because the student council has already passed its 1991-92 budget.



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Student groups take over Mackay for orientation street fest last week.

Carleton daycare dismissed

by Katie Swoger

OTTAWA (CUP)—A new Carleton University childcare facility originally scheduled to open this month is on hold because the Ontario government has not come through with funding.

Although the Liberal government promised to fund the project last year, Carleton is waiting for word from the NDP, said Heather Tierney, a university childcare supervisor.

"We were told the fall of '91, which is now and nothing has been done," she said.

Carleton's existing centre, Colonel By Daycare, is a non-profit childcare collective with space for 52 children, but with an average wait of two years for a space. The new facility would create a total of 73 spaces for a community of 23,000 students, faculty and staff.

And despite a growing demand for evening and drop-in care, the centre only offers full-time childcare during the day.

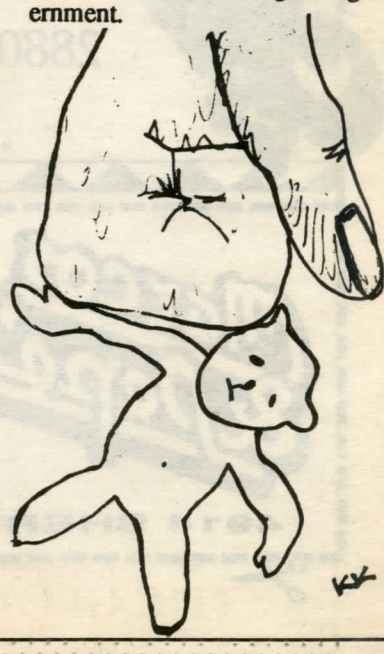
The projected cost of the new building is about $1.5 million, with the university donating land valued at $140,000. Gayle Preston, regional director of child services, said the province is supposed to fund 80 per cent of the project, while the region and the municipality will split the remaining costs.

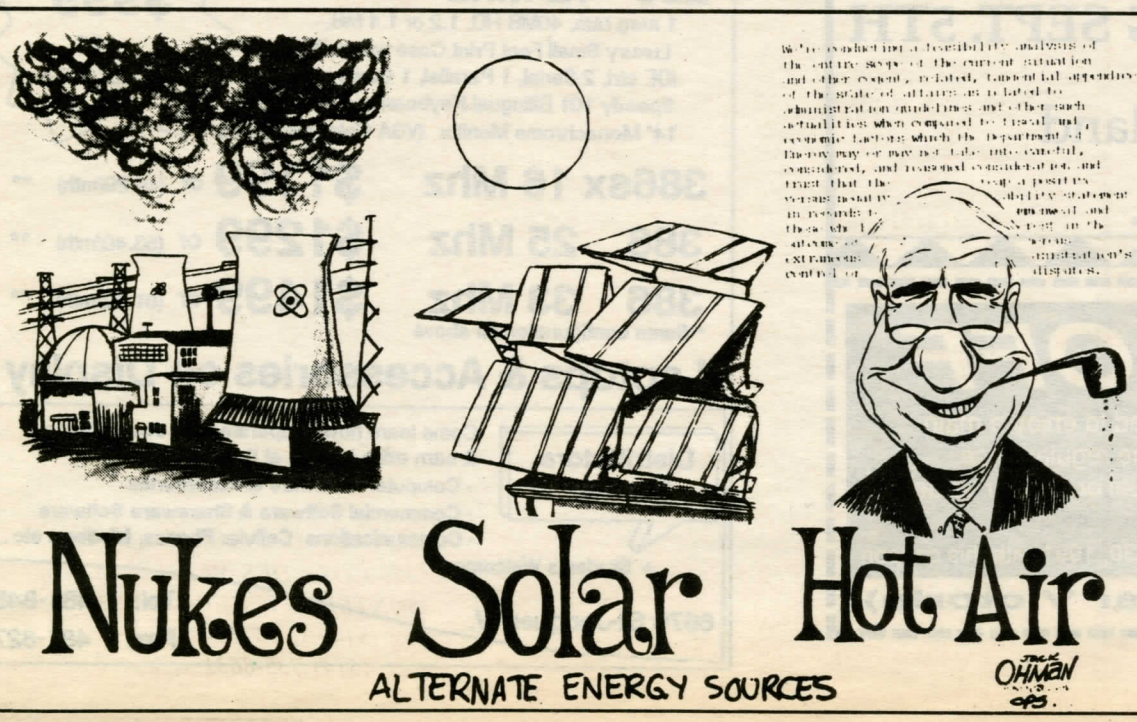
Carleton is not the only university desperately short of childcare space.

"Only half of the 68 universities in Canada have daycare, and only eight or nine of those provide care for infants," said Sylvia Sioufi, a researcher for the Canadian Federation of Students.

Although the centre will accommodate an additional 21 children, the cost of childcare still limits its accessibility.

Care for toddlers and pre-schoolers costs $752 per month, while the charge for infants is $1,121. For some parents, child care costs are subsidized in whole or in part by the Ottawa-Carleton regional government.





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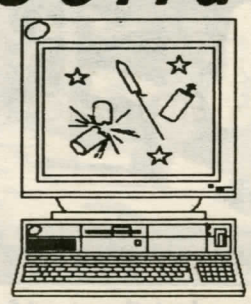

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Banks against loans tax:CFS

by Dawn Mitchell

HALIFAX (CUP)—Student organizations and chartered banks may join forces to overturn a federal decision to tax student loans.

In an attempt to recoup money lost when students default on their loan repayments, the Mulroney government slapped a three per cent tax on loans as of Aug. 1.

The tax, administered by the chartered banks, must be collected before students receive their cash.

Scott McCrossin, chair of Nova Scotia's Students' Union, said banks are siding with students in opposing the tax.

"We've heard through national sources that the banks are very upset and don't want to collect (the tax)," McCrossin said.

McCrossin said students might dodge the tax by writing rubber cheques but he added it may not be full-proof.

"I understand that if a student writes a cheque for the tax on an account that does not have enough money to cover it, the banks are not worried about going after it, or implementing non-sufficient funds charges," he said. "It's a $15 dollar gamble for the students."

Barbara Amsden, financial affairs director for the Canadian Bankers' Association, said she was not aware of this practice.

"That could be a bank-by-bank or branch-by-branch decision, but probably not be an announced policy," Amsden said.

She said banks sympathize with students but "it would be an expensive experiment for students and for banks in terms of public relations."

The Canadian Federation of Students wants to capitalize on the bankers' negative feelings by encouraging students to make tax collection as cumbersome as possible, said Jocelyn Charron, CFS communications officer.

"We're asking students to write their cheques on legal size pieces of paper and demand to see the bank managers," Charron said.

She said she hopes this will lead to renewed protest on the part of the chartered banks, and increase pressure on the federal government to abandon the tax.

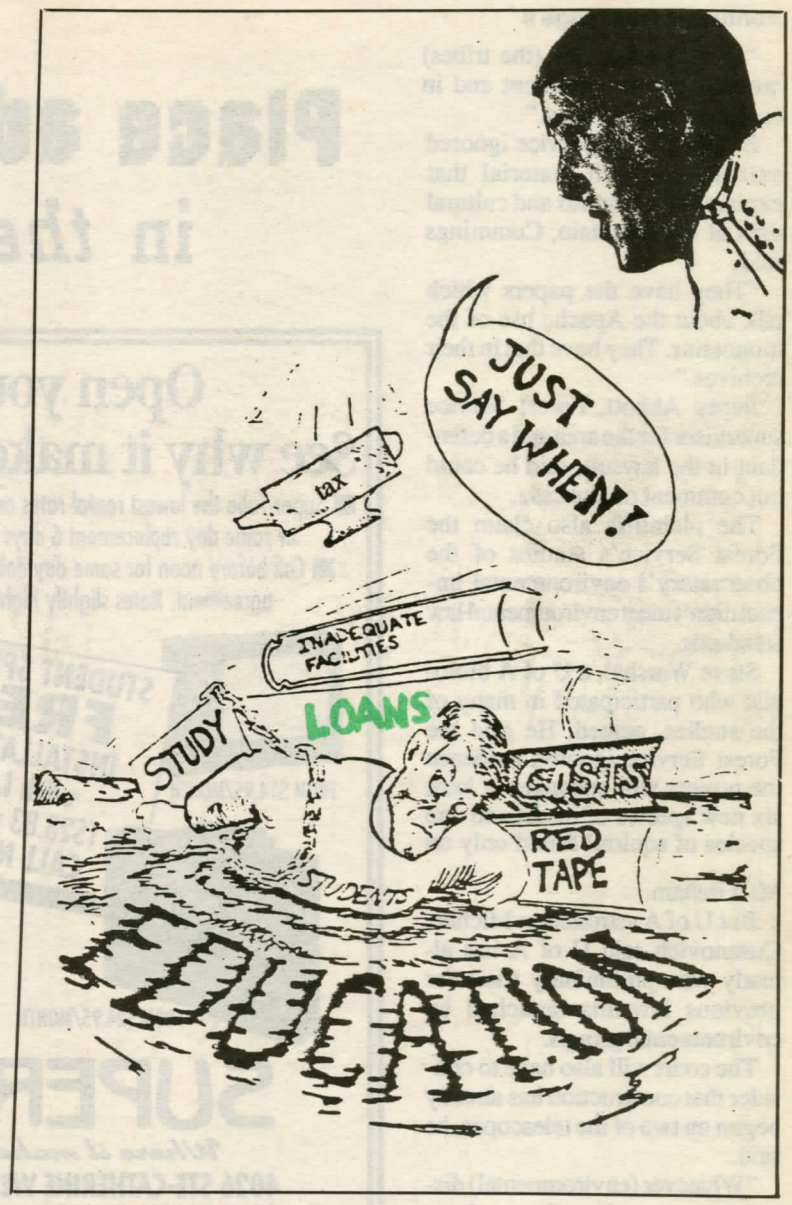
One Mount St. Vincent University student said the student aid office did not inform her about the charge when she applied for her loan.

"I'm mad as a hopping turtle," she said. "I got to the bank and had to take $100.80 out of my own pocket. It's scandalous.

"I was going to call the Receiver General and ask why the government is doing this, where is the money going, and can I get a receipt for the money I paid."

Six months after students leave a post-secondary institution, interest charges on loans kick in. And to add insult to injury, interest will be charged on the tax itself.

CFS estimates the government stands to make $18 million from the tax, while it has cut transfer payments to the provinces, reduced its services to help students find jobs after graduation and levied the GST on textbooks.



U of T may fund telescope

Observatory in US draws protest

by Clive Thompson

TORONTO (CUP)—The University of Toronto may help build an observatory in Arizona that native Americans say violates their religious rights and environmental law.

The University of Arizona has invited U of T to help fund the world's biggest telescope, said Ernie Seaquist, head of U of T's astronomy department.

Costing $60 million, it would be one of three telescopes in the project, which is also funded by the University of Ohio, Germany's Max Planck Institute, and the Vatican.

U of T is looking for a donor to foot the bill, Seaquist said.

But some Canadian natives and environmentalists are asking U of T not to join the project, saying Mt. Graham—where the telescopes will be located—is sacred Apache ground and an environmentally sensitive area.

Activists gathered in a two day protest in August outside U of T's astronomy department against the university's potential involvement.

"This project is a desecration of the Apache people who use that mountain," said Mohawk Nation member Danny Deaton. "What if people came here to Toronto and started raping the graveyards? This is what these people are facing."

U of T has not yet assessed the ethical and environmental aspects of the project, Seaquist said.

"It's far too early for us to have thought about that."

The project recently made headlines in the United States when two Arizona Apache elders filed a lawsuit to stop construction, which began last April. The suit names Arizona's Forest Service as the defendant, claiming it violated several environmental laws and the Apaches' freedom of religion by giving U of A permission to begin construction.

Apache elders regularly use the mountain for healing purposes such as gathering water and herbs.

Patricia Cummings, one of the Apaches' lawyers, said the Forest Service didn't make a serious effort to contact the tribes before starting the project. U of A and the Forest Service sent letters to 19 tribes, but many tribes say they didn't get the letter or got it too late.

U of A spokesperson Steve Eremine said the university can't be held responsible.

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U of T avoids anti-rape campaign

TORONTO (CUP)—An anti-rape campaign at the University of Toronto was wiped off the slate of orientation week activities by the student council despite high percentages of sexual assaults reported each year.

"There are a lot of situations provided by orientation activities where sexual assault can take place," Susan Addario, U of T's safety officer, said.

"We know that about a quarter to a third of the assaults reported to helping or responding organizations on campus take place during orientation activities. That's only those that are reported."

The student council's women's officer, Diane Dobson, said she was rebuffed by council members about the campaign. According to Dobson, they told her she didn't start organizing early enough, orientation sponsors would object to the campaign and that it would hurt campus unity.

But Dobson said she gave them plenty of notice by going to them in May.

"I think it's a combination of incompetence, lack of communication and lack of support."

Council president Peter Guo disagreed.

"As far as I'm concerned it was a problem of logistics. We were very keen when she came to us with the proposal," he said.

"There are deadlines to be met," Guo said, adding "there's no proposal on my desk right now outlining what dates and times things are supposed to happen."

Addario said she thinks students should assess the council's priorities and the way they choose to allocate time and resources.

"I don't want to be misconstrued as laying the blame (at the council's) door," she added. "If there's blame to lay it's for students to decide. As a student, one has to look at what they had to spend and what they spent it on and make a decision as to whether they spent it in an appropriate way."

NDP promises tuition freeze

BC Students don't buy it

by Martin Chester

VANCOUVER (CUP)—The British Columbia NDP's election promise to freeze tuition fees is being greeted with cynicism by those who recall their Ontario counterpart's change of heart on a similar vow.

NDP post-secondary education critic Barry Jones said, if elected, his government will stop all tuition fee hikes for one year to study the barriers to higher education. The freeze, honouring long-standing NDP policy, would cost the province an additional $8 to $10 million for one year.

"We need to be sure it's not a person's economic or social background that makes them eligible for post-secondary education," Jones said.

The Ontario NDP made a similar promise before they were elected last September, but boosted fees by eight per cent once in office.

Jones said his party would not renege on this promise.

"I'm not in the business of running an election on promises that will not be followed through," Jones said.

Brad Levigne, chair of the BC wing of the Canadian Federation of Students, said BC-CFS would try to hold the government to its promise if the NDP is elected.

"We welcome the initiative, but what happened in Ontario makes a lot of students cynical," Levigne said.

He also said he hopes the NDP would extend the term of the freeze to combat recent whopping hikes, including a 20 per cent increase at Kwantlen College in Surrey and a 17 per cent increase at Douglas College in New Westminister.

The federation has been calling for a freeze and an eventual rollback of fees to ensure better access for new students, he said.

Levigne said BC-CFS is in a better position than the Ontario Federation of Students because they have been preparing for an election and they have the Ontario experience to guide them.

"We started lobbying the NDP on the freeze back in March of '90," he said. "They were talking about dropping the freeze policy and we pressured them to put it back."

"We made it known that we were quite cynical about anything they promise and that it would have to be backed up by a plan before the election."

Jocelyn Charron, CFS communications officer, said there is always a difference between a political program during an election and the policy of a government.

"Students must ensure that the pressure is kept on through the NDP youth," he said.

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"In each case they (the tribes) were asked for comment and in each case they refused."

But the Forest Service ignored existing research material that explains the religious and cultural uses of the mountain, Cummings said.

"They have the papers which talk about the Apache use of the mountains. They have that in their archives."

James Abbott, Forest Service supervisor for the area and a defendant in the lawsuit, said he could not comment on the case.

The plaintiffs also claim the Forest Service's studies of the observatory's environmental impact didn't meet environmental law standards.

Steve Warshal, a U of A biologist who participated in many of the studies, agreed. He said the Forest Service ignored evidence the project will endanger at least six new species of insect and one species of squirrel found only on Mt. Graham.

But U of A astronomer Michael Cusanovich said U of A has already won preliminary trials for previous lawsuits launched by environmental groups.

The court will also have to consider that construction has already begun on two of the telescopes, he said.

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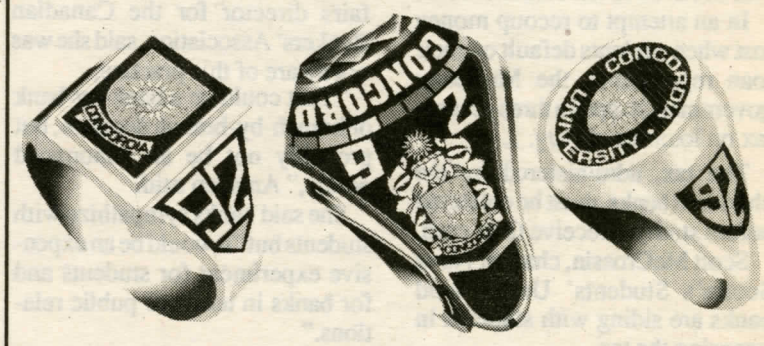

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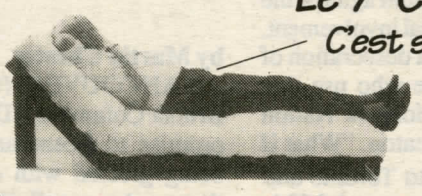

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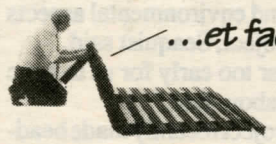

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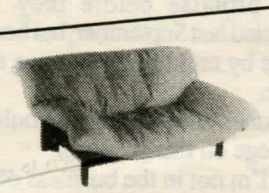
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Smutty Handbook

I am writing with regards to the page 165 article in the CUSA handbook entitled "Just Do It". After reading one line of the article, it became quite obvious to me that I was not reading an ad for the latest Nike running shoe. Actually, I wasn't sure if I wasn't reading an excerpt from *Penthouse Variations*. After several readings and consultations with many fellow Concordia students who read the same article, I kept arriving at the same conclusion: This article does not belong in a student handbook, one that we are paying to have published.

I'm not sure what point the article is trying to make or if it is intended purely for enlightenment or shock value. That doesn't matter. Fact is, there is a way to make a clear statement about homosexuality without being so graphic, and this is not the way. This article is more than offensive and crude. It's disgusting and highly inappropriate. It is offensive to many, including those who do not in any way condemn homosexuality. It is an insult to good taste, to all who have published in this handbook, and to the integrity of the entire university. More than that, it is offensive to those gays and lesbians who don't aspire to slutting themselves around "in a public park at night" or "in a public toilet on lunch hour."

On my first reading I was amused. I became less amused as I considered who would be reading the article: parents of teenage students, respected educators, and to those to whom we would like to convey that Concordia University is a fine institute of higher learning. Whatever the article was supposed to say, the message is perfectly clear to me: Any smut at all is allowed in our handbook, no censorship required.

Erich Schmidt
3rd yr Political Science

Inevitably? Well, Almost Inevitably

As chair of English, I feel obliged for several reasons to reply to Professor Broes' letter (Link, Sept. 4) which is itself a reply to Eugenia Xenos (Link, May 21). Professor Broes as a former Chair of English and current Advisor at the Loyola Campus might be supposed correct in his "corrections" of Xenos' contention that Loyola evening courses are less popular than those at SGW. However, as former advisor at Loyola and current chair of English, I would say that Xenos is essentially correct.

Courses in the evening at Loyola are less popular and while they may eventually enrol fully, they usually do so when other choices are unavailable. For the majority of students evening courses at Loyola are not a first choice but a last choice (see Buckner article for comparable data in *Sociology*). Professor Broes' statement that "day enrolments in the English Department...are almost inevitably greater each year on the Loyola campus...and have been since 1974" is untrue and enormously misleading. Under Professor Broes' two term chairmanship (part of the time after 1974) the day programme at SGW was all but eliminated. Because of the scarcity of day courses at SGW, students at the time wishing to remain day students were obliged willy-nilly to take courses in the day at Loyola or become SGW evening students. Many chose the latter course. It is only under my chairmanship (the past 5 years) that the day programme at SGW has become anything like equal to what was regularly offered at Loyola. Current English Department programming makes it possible for a student to fulfil the requirements of a major on either campus and still remain a day student.

To say, then, that day enrolment "almost inevitably," since 1974, has been heavier at Loyola than at SGW is to ignore the considerable period of time when there was barely a day programme at SGW. Anyone examining the timetables for the period in question can verify what I claim. There is much virtue (to speak ironically) in Broes' "almost." He turns deliberately willed programme decisions into historical inevitability, decisions which he made. That must account for the "almost" in "almost inevitably." Incidentally, the statement concerning the current preference for Loyola day over SGW day is simply untrue and can be shown to be so by weekly enrolment patterns of current registration.

Broes' claim of impartiality toward the continued existence of day and evening programmes on both campuses is somewhat suspect in view of past action. Claims for the "inevitability" of Loyola's being paramount as the day programme coincide rather too conveniently with the Space Committee's supposedly hypothetical "scenario" for English. Do inflexible trial balloons explode or are they reinflated?

Professor Broes tries to have the argument both ways:

(1) (Future): Loyola would be popular in the evening were more courses offered there.

(2) (Past) SGW day, when few day courses were offered, was less popular.

I think Broes' contention that there were more English courses offered in the evening at Loyola, more students would enrol for these courses is likely untrue. Creative writing students in the main prefer downtown courses. Graduate students in the main prefer donwtown courses. Our Composition courses which service other disciplines are mainly downtown. According to figures given me by the Space Committee (for 90-91) 27% of undergraduate enrolment in English is at Loyola and 73% at SGW.

Lastly, may I say that in the context of the Space Committee's "scenario" for English, to be consolidated at Loyola, the charge against Xenos' letter, specifically untrue and speciously generalized by Professor Broes as the "usual erroneous 'Loyola bashing,'" is grotesquely and inappropriately self-pitying. The Sir George Williams campus is virtually fighting for its life. The arguments it makes for its continued existence which involve campus comparison cannot convincingly be dismissed always as unseemly aggression and partisan distortion.

Gerald Auchinachie,
Chair, English Department

"Gabriel" and "Lucifer?"

Prejudices based on ancient and ignorant misconceptions apparently die hard. I was first disturbed to see the Benetton ad (featuring two children - one black, one white) in the August edition of Flare magazine, which I have been receiving for the past few years (and which, by the way, I now have no intention of purchasing off the newsstand once my subscription runs out). But the same ad now appears in every metro station and in many subway stations in the Toronto area, from what a friend tells me. I find it astonishing that it has travelled so far (originating in a studio in Italy) past so many thousands of people; the majority of whom apparently failed to realize - at least consciously - its significance, which is so obvious to me and many of my friends and family. It seems the primitive myth that black people are evil is still very much alive in the subconscious recesses of an indefinite number of minds. How else can it be that such an ad has ended up in magazines and subway stations? If nothing else, I am relieved that there are others who share my opinion. Small consolation, though, for an era which is supposedly more civilized and educated than that in which such inapprehensible prejudices were first founded.

P.S. Five stars for the introduction in the CUSA Handbook. I think it's time for all of us to accept that "his"tory is not the only one to be told.

Cheryl John

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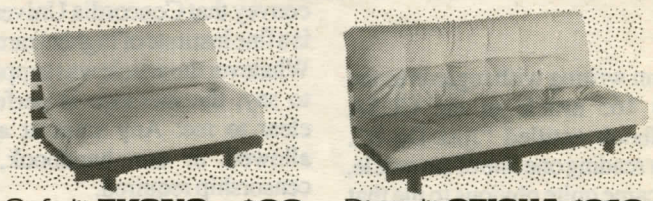
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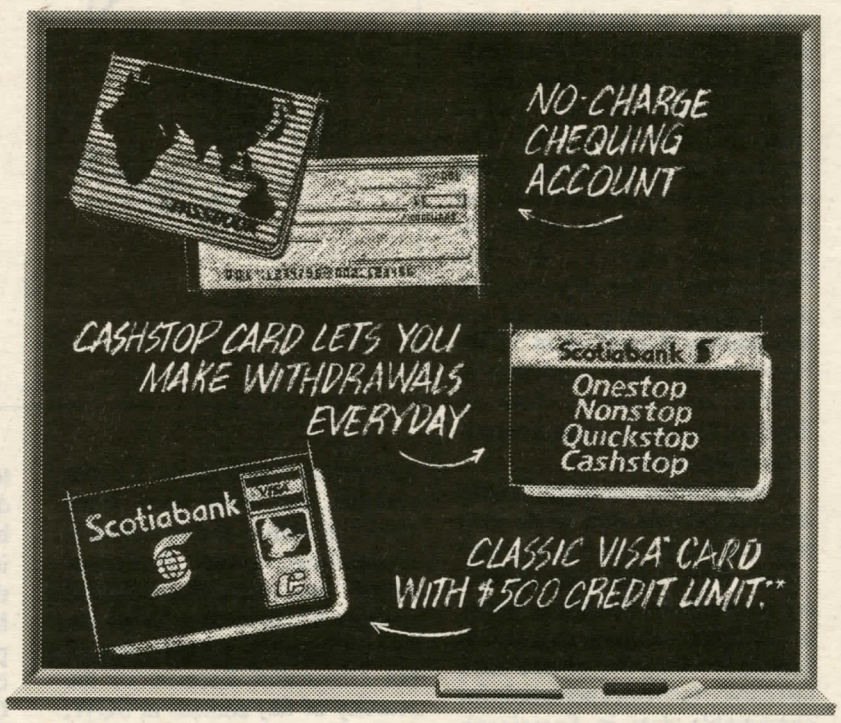

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Roots reggae and social conscience

by Cédric Morgan

Jah Children are rebels with a cause. In the true tradition of reggae music, the *Children* fight against oppression, exploitation and prejudice while keeping a positive outlook on life.

They're a band with a social conscience. They sing about suffering in the streets, racism and the Third World. On stage, they back the fight against crack and cocaine.

"We are prisoners of our own system, we become numbers, codes, figures, statistics which all lead us to mental slavery," says frontman Singer Judah. "We all want our freedom and to get out of Babylon."

Judah, like all traditional rastamen, is a philosopher.

To him, the fact that the lottery hands out five million dollars in a 6/49 means that 5 million people spent a dollar on a dream of breaking free of the system.

Although their first jam goes back to 1979, Montreal's veteran reggae band officially started playing together in 1982. Back then they rented halls with local D.J.'s, set up the sound system and put on their own shows.

Judah is backed by Keith Reid on bass, Issachar on keyboards and Dan on percussions. All four members are of rastafarian culture, forwarding the message of Jah Rastafari, the Ethiopian king Haile Selassie I.

The *Jah Children* constantly use biblical texts and historical references in their lyrics. "We're on a mission to speak the truth, promote equal rights and justice," says Judah. "We must all keep our eyes open to social problems: they endanger peace, love and unity amongst us." One example of biblical and historical connotation is the fact that the rastaman often compares modern western world to the fallen empire of Babylon.

The *Jah Children* play roots reggae, the musical form that followed the ska and rock steady periods in the late 60s. It's straight from Jamaica's poor and popular class : the roots. It's commercial success grew during reggae's golden period with such artists as Bob Marley, Bunny Wailer and Peter Tosh.

"Reggae may have exploded in different styles today, with dancehall, raggamuffin and hip-hop says Judah, but it's the roots-reggae that started it all and still holds it together today."

1991 has been a very good year for *Jah Children* . They toured the western part of the country and shared the spotlight last February at the Rising Sun with renowned roots group *Culture* and hot reggae-rapper *Shabba Ranks*.

The *Jah Children* are very impressive in concert. The strength of the group's perfomance last week at the Terminal bar relied primarily on the quality of the songs : lyrics, rhythm and social-conscience, all coming across strongly. These fellows are also great musicians and Judah's voice is both agile and intense.

Ibo Zebulan, official *Jah Children* contributor since 1987, lent his steel pulsing guitar and vocals to the Terminal gig. Ibo is also leader of the *Imperial Force* reggae band.

Jah Children offered fans mostly original songs such as "*Mr Babylon*," "*Pirates in the City*," and "*Life is a Mystery*". One of the highlights of the show was a Marley-medley featuring "*We and Them*," "*Guiltiness*" and a great version of "*Roots, Rock, Reggae*" with a solid "dee jay style" rapping by Issachar. Very well done gentlemen.

Jah Children *will be in action, next Sunday Sept 15 at the Presidio Club (ex Kilomètre Heure), 4171 Saint-Denis, (info: 845-4171). Tickets are $5.*

Another reggae show to check out is Montreal's own Rapper Rupert *on Saturday Sept 14 at the Paladium, in Longueil , (yes! South Shore!.)Take bus #17 from the Longueuil Metro terminus up to 475 blvd Rolland Therrien (info: 282-8759).*

photo by Cédric Morgan

Montreal group
The Jah Children
From left to right, Dan, Keith, Issachar and Singer Judah

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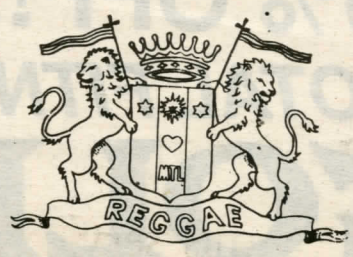

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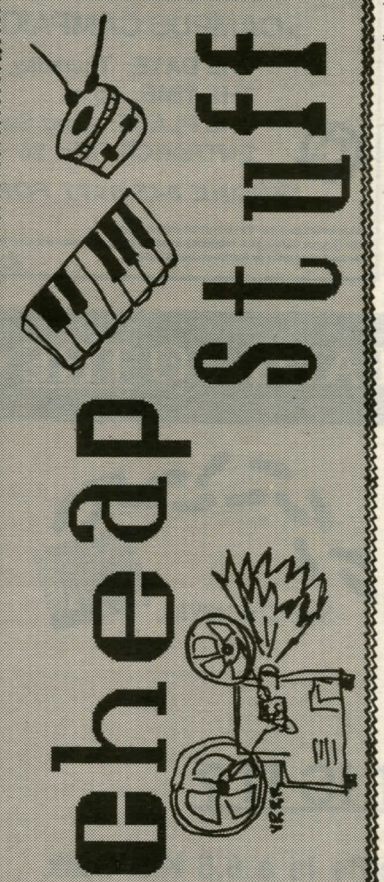

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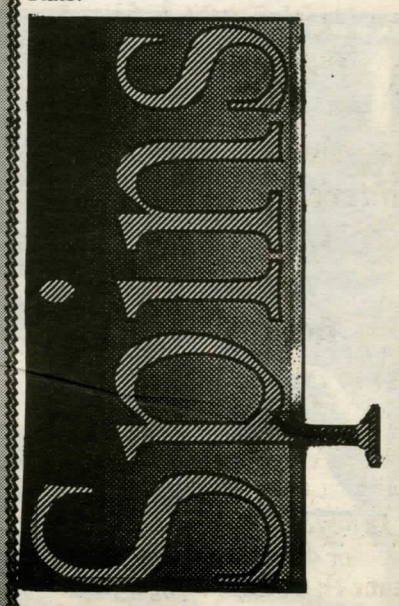
Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan: self-titled Real World/Virgin
by Anuska Garcia

At long last, a worldbeat release on CD guaranteed to spice up anyone's collection, even the most jaded of music buffs. Pakistani folk musician, **Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan** was one of the lucky ones to appear on a major distribution deal to make this product more accessible to those who want to vary in musical tastes. With only a harmonium, a simple bongo-type percussion and a phalanx of voices ranging from the guttural to the impossibly high-pitched, Khan transforms the modern, soft-assed 90's comfort of hi-tech to a veritable spiritual experience. This release is beyond recording chanting on CD, it is a personal ritual—inviting you to join in the singing and meditating on the lyrics which are translated on the cover. These five tracks address issues that are not only confined to Khan's beliefs but are spread to people all over the world regardless of religion. Khan's powerful and sinewy vocals at times lulls you and at other times lulls you. Watch out for these Virgin recordings. They're a gem.

Chemical People: Angels 'n' Devils Cruz Records
by Anuska Garcia

Keeping up with the clean-your-act trend, the **Chemical People** have indeed done so. They offer on this release their version of West Coast hardcore with prog-riffs, satire and loads of fun packed into this ten-inch clear bottle-green platter that's safe to bring to Show and Tell compared to their earlier more porno-raunch-core stuff. This is their fourth album and the Chems have become more melodic and squeaky-clean, more fun without losing their fartin' sense of humour. The Rap track is hilarious as they rip this particular genre to pieces. It's bound to offend even the most indifferent of rap fans with MC's 'Bugphace' and 'Skippy Smoothe' guesting on the record. The rest is straight ahead guitar-heavy pop and if you're not into this music you might just consider getting it for the look of it. Green ten-inches are hard to come by these days. Rats.



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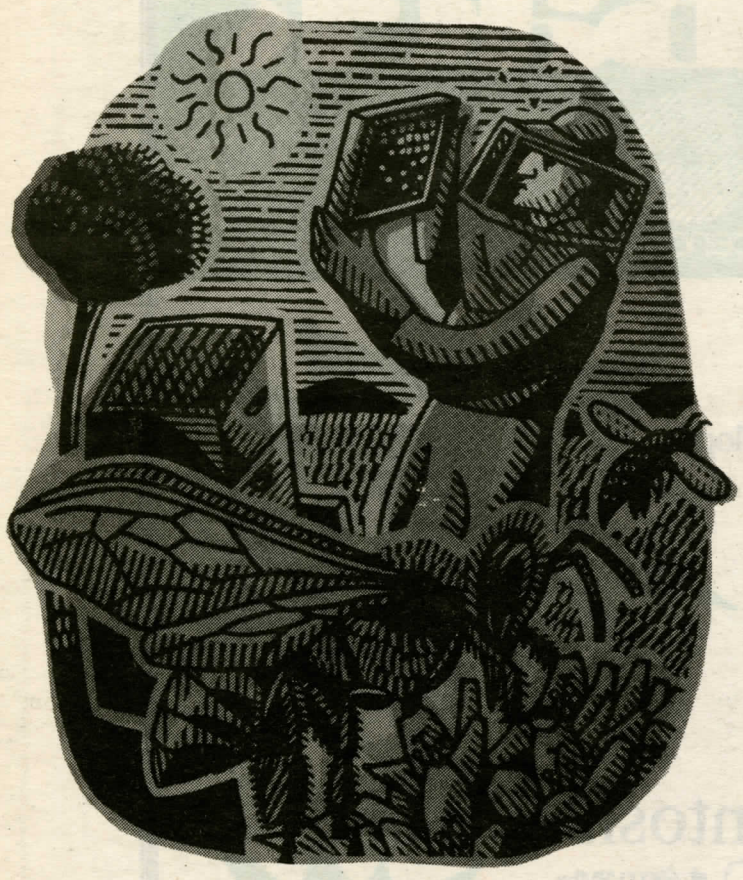

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The Essential Amistad

by **Daniel Eayrs**

It is said in almost every circle of Black intelligensia that without reading *Amistad I* you cannot discuss any Black topic intelligently. *Amistad I* is a collection of writings that tries to demonstrate, or conceptualize "what time it is": fully understanding where we are and our responsibility for action today. Such infamous writers as John A. Williams, George Davis, C.L.R James, Ishmael Reed, Calvin Hernton, Oliver Jackman, Vincent Harding and Verta Grosvener contribute essays and short stories which allow readers to find their place in what seems to be cultural chaos.

There is a reason why you have not heard of most or all of these writers—they were some of the angriest, boldest writers of their day—and their works were branded "not to be quoted" by the white literary establishment.

These are not pages of empty rhetoric which only prove to further mental masturbation. Within the collection are the "truths" that Malcolm X searched so passionately for by means of devotion first to the nation of Islam and then finally to the Moslem religion.

Timelessness surpasses that which wishes to confine the intellect and the spirit. Intimacy and compassion for others demand a vehicle which conveys greater unbiased understanding. Gender need not be fought nor defended. Prejudice is now exposed as passive ignorance. Culture,the leviathan, is no longer omnipotent. This is not linear, applied or analytical calculus.

This is literature...

Amistad I, Writings on Black history and culture.

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Rule of the Hive

by **Galen Newman**

We've read it before: Suburban boy bored with bourgeois existence leaves home to explore sex, freedom and the open road. From Joyce to Kerouac, the Male Coming of Age story has been done to death.

Keith Henderson's second novel, *The Beekeeper*, is set in that most glorified of eras - the 60's. Twenty-year old Walter Taylor has got an excess of testosterone., but unfortunately the "buttery" girl next door would rather play with her cat, so our hero gets in his car and heads West. As he muses: "Wasn't that where young men were *supposed* to go anyway?

On the outskirts of Ottawa, he picks up Nathalie Doroshkov, a pretentious franco-russian ballerina, who convinces Walter to drive her to a friend's farm north of Toronto.

The "friend", Helmut Rutner, is a braggart poet who keeps bees, goes hunting and thinks he's God's gift in general. Even more unpalatable to Walter is the fact that Helmut "deflowered" Nathalie, while poor awkward Walter can't even get to first base.

Women in the book are either painfully dull, or neurotic and unfathomable. Nathalie achieves goddess-status in Walter's eyes, not by her own virtue, but rather as an object of another man's conquest. Conversely, Walter treats Judy (again a Helmut leftover) with little more respect than a welcome mat.

In the hands of a less-adept wordster, I might have abandoned reading, but I must give credit where it's due: Henderson's prose style is fresh and his sense of humor, subtle. When Nathalie finally *does* come to Walter in his room, it's to ask him why he doesn't brush his teeth before going to bed. Examining them, she says: "I mean here you are such a nice fellow, and you go right to bed with your teeth dirty" Hardly your typical seduction scene.

Some of Henderson's insights are also quite profound. Speaking through Helmut, he touches on the fear that underlies the male/female power balance: "The matriarchal system, man! All that honey," says the beekeeper, "ever see drones gobbling at it? Fat now, dead later. That's matriarchy! Set up shop as a goddess, initiate people, then rub them out."

If women have the ability to house life, then could it not follow that when man's sexual function is complete, he is dispensible? Certainly, food for thought.

Ultimately, *The Beekeeper* deals not so much with male-female relationships, as with some sort of chest-pounding battle between men for the female of the species.. Somehow, I can't believe that Henderson actually takes this type of display seriously. The novel ends with a juvenile fist-fight between Walter and Helmut and the former puking up in his car.

Still, titles reveal all. With *The Beekeeper*, it is not so much the queen bee who has rule of the hive, as it is her keeper.

Published by DC Books,The Beekeeper is available at The Double Hook, Ficciones, Lexis, and Prospero

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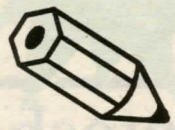

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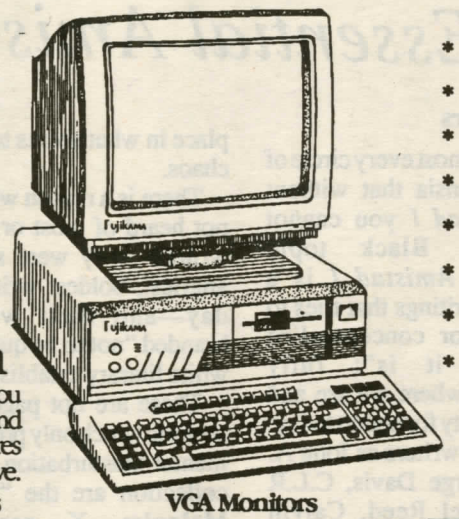

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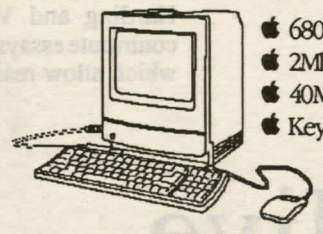

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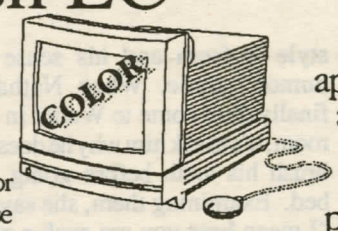

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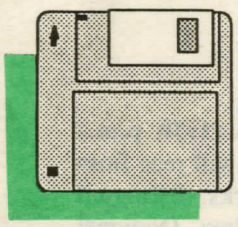

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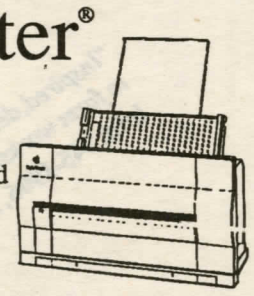

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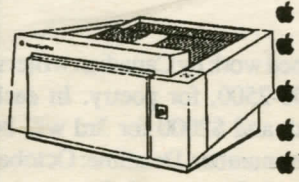

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